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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MASAMICHI ITO ET AL.

Application No.: 09/903,706

Filed: July 13, 2001

For: DATA COMMUNICATION SYSTEM,
PRINTING SYSTEM AND DATA
COMMUNICATION APPARATUS

Examiner: G.C. Neurauter

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COMMENTS REGARDING
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION FILED ON JULY 16, 2003

Sir:

A Response To Office Action And Request For Suspension Of Action was filed in the above-identified application on July 16, 2003, which responds to the Office Action dated June 16, 2003, and which requests a three-month suspension of action. In the Response,

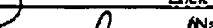
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Applicants note that a petition to correct the application papers in the USPTO's file for the subject application was filed concurrently with the Response.

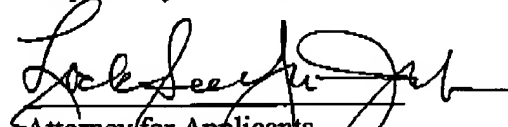
Applicants submit that the petition and the Response filed on July 16, 2003, are fully responsive to the Office Action, because the Office Action states that the "specification is incorrect," and requires its correction. No other requirement is made in the Office Action. Therefore, because the petition requests that the application papers in the USPTO's file for the subject application, including the specification, be corrected, it is respectfully submitted that no further response to the Office Action is necessary.

Applicants' undersigned representative contacted the Office of Petitions on October 15 and 16, 2003, and spoke with Alesia Brown, who is the USPTO attorney handling the petition, on October 16th. Ms. Brown said that a decision has not yet been made on the petition.

Accordingly, in view of the fact that the suspension of action expires on October 16, 2003, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to delay issuance of a further Office Action until a decision on the petition has been issued.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York Office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,


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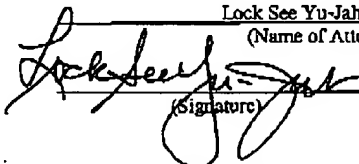
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